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## Kelli Litsch announces retirement

WEATHERFORD, Okla. – For the past 33 years, Associate Athletic Director Kelli Litsch has been a member of the Southwestern Oklahoma State University Athletics family as an athlete, coach or administrator, but she recently announced she will be retiring at the end of the 2013-14 school year.

“Southwestern has been a part of my life for the past 33 years and will always be very special to me,” Litsch said. “I am looking forward to my upcoming retirement but will definitely miss the people I have worked closely with over the years as well as the many Bulldog student-athletes who made my job so enjoyable.”

Litsch came to SWOSU in the fall of 1981 after winning two six-on-six state championships and scoring 3,364 points at Thomas High School. Her arrival at SWOSU helped the Lady Bulldogs explode into the NAIA's premiere basketball program. Litsch became a four-time First Team



All-American – the first in NAIA history – and led the Lady Bulldogs to a record of 129-5 and three NAIA National Championships while scoring a national record of 2,700 points.

After her magical playing career, Litsch joined the coaching staff of John Loftin and helped the Lady Bulldogs to a record of 278-49 over the next ten years, along with two more NAIA National Championships in 1987 and 1990. As SWOSU began to make the transition from NAIA to NCAA Division II, Litsch moved into the role of Associate Athletic Director, where she has been in charge of compliance coordination ever since.

Her historic career has led to

Litsch being inducted into four Hall of Fames, including: SWOSU Athletics (1990), NAIA Hall of Fame (1991), Oklahoma Sports (2004) and Women's Basketball (2005).

“Kelli Litsch is very special to this university and she's extremely special to this department,” SWOSU Athletic Director Todd Thurman said. “She has been a part of SWOSU Athletics for a very long time and we will miss her because of everything she does for this department. Her knowledge level about compliance is invaluable and it's going to be very hard to not have her here. More importantly, she's a great person and one of the most humble individuals I've ever

## Campus mourns student leader

*Benefit she organized will still be held at Zoo Saturday*

The campus is mourning the death of SWOSU student Lauren Johnson, 21, who died Friday, April 4, after a long battle with pulmonary hypertension.

Johnson was a 21-year-old art education major from Jones. She transferred to SWOSU from UCO in August 2013. She was active in the department and organized a “Walk a Mile in My Shoes” event that will be held this Saturday, April 12.

Johnson was diagnosed with a congenital heart defect at 3 and severe pulmonary hypertension by 11. She participated in many events to raise awareness of PH, and was awarded the Outstanding Young PH Citizen Award at the national conference.

Johnson and her mother organized the Walk a Mile in My Shoes benefit to raise awareness about PH. The event will be held Saturday at the Oklahoma City Zoo from 8 to 10 a.m. No registration is necessary. For more information, contact Joana Hyatt, assistant professor of art, at joana.hyatt@swosu.edu



Lauren Johnson

## 42nd annual SWOSU Rodeo starts Thursday

By Rachel Smith  
Staff Reporter

The Southwestern rodeo team is gearing up to host the 42nd annual college rodeo at the Don Mitchell Arena located in Rader Park, Weatherford OK. The rodeo is going to be Thursday April 10 through Saturday April 12.

SWOSU has had a busy season thus far, but the teams' hard work and dedication has landed them in high standings in the Central Plains Region. SWOSU women's team is leading the point standings 1,943.3 over 750 points of second place Northwestern.

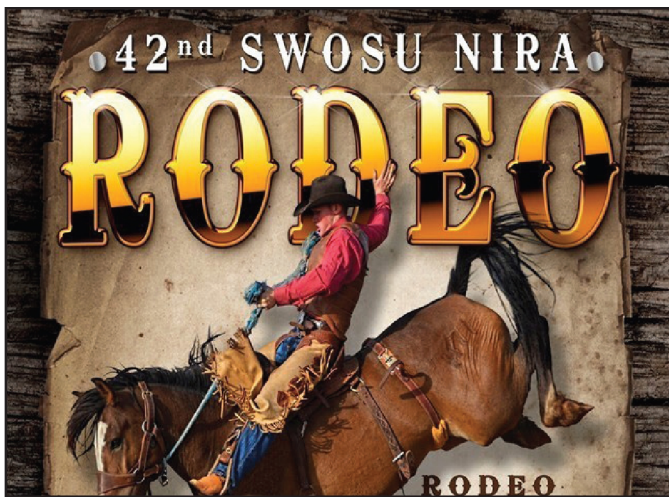
SWOSU men's team is

in second place just behind Panhandle State University with Sophomore bull rider Sage Kimzey maintaining a lead of almost 200 points over other bull riders in the region.

SWOSU also has the top three women leading in all-around points, Marie Moyer, Emily Miller, and Ceri McCaffery.

Senior dental hygiene major, and two time qualifier to the College National Finals Emily Miller is very proud of the women's team and has high hopes for the season,

“Our team set goals at the beginning of the season, with a lot of hard work and dedication we



are achieving them.” Miller said, “Hopefully a national title is in our future.”

As the bulldogs embark on their last leg of the 2013-2014 season they have one they especially look forward to, the an-

nual SWOSU rodeo at the Don Mitchell arena. Having a college rodeo in Weatherford gives SWOSU an advantage over other competitors. They do not have to travel, their horses stay in a place they are used

to, and the team knows the arena better than any.

“Our team will thrive with the home field advantage,” Emily Miller said, “Rodeo is 90% mental and all the positive energy here in Weatherford will only benefit our athletes and I truly believe both teams will really excel at our hometown rodeo.”

Hometown cowgirl Hannah Haugen, a sophomore mass communications major says the rodeo holds a sentimental value to her.

“Most of my family and friends will be in attendance, so it adds a little more pressure,” Haugen said “its nice to have so

much support in the stands and be so close to home. Haugen will be competing in goat tying, and break-away roping.

The SWOSU rodeo draws nearly 500 cowboys and cowgirls competing each year for a wide range of prizes including money, buckles, saddles and a berth in chance to compete at the 2014 College National Finals.

A list of events include, saddle bronc riding, bareback riding, breakaway roping, goat tying, tie down roping, team roping, steer wrestling, barrel racing, and bullriding.

There will be a total of four performances sched-

Golf



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## Sports, theatre highlight schedule

By ERIKKA BRANSCUM  
News Editor

The SWOSU campus has come alive with several spring sports and events.

The men and women rodeo teams will compete again April 10, at the rodeo on the SWOSU campus. The women's team has competed in six rodeos this season, finishing first in four of these contests.

“The rodeos have been good so far. Overall, both our women and men's teams have excelled,” Hannah Haugen, a sophomore mass communication major, and rodeo team member.

The rodeo teams have four rodeos left this season. “We have had six out of

our 10 rodeos and are looking to finish strong on our last four rodeos,” Haugen said.

The baseball team is working on improving and will play this weekend.

Assistant baseball coach, Cole Stephens said, “We have a great group of guys on this team. They're really working hard and we expect good things from them this season.”

The next baseball game will be Friday, April 11, at East Central University.

The softball team is also in action with a home game on April 11 against East Central University.

The Hilltop Theatre is busy with construction and rehearsals as the SWOSU-Players prepare for their

spring show, *James and the Giant Peach*.

Corianne Fairchild, freshman theatre major from Leedey said, “I'm excited because it's a children's show, so it will be overall a fun process.”

Fairchild was cast as the ladybug in the show. She and the rest of the cast will have a little under a month to prepare for this show.

“I am nervous because we have less than a month to prepare, however, I am confident that in the end it will turn out to be an amazing show! We have a great cast and crew,” said Fairchild.

The Hilltop Theatre will be performing *James and the Giant Peach* on Thursday, the 24<sup>th</sup> and Friday the 25<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m. The final show will be Saturday the 26<sup>th</sup> at 2:00

### palooza in the rain



Denver Duncan entertains the crowd Saturday during the annual Swosupalooza concert on the Mmeorial Student Center lawn. A little rain didn't stop the daylong concert (Photo by Morgan Brian)



# NEWS/OPINION

## What students shouldn't do in the final month of college

By **SCOTT MAY**  
*Staff Reporter*

What is the logical thing for students to do in the final month of school? Sadly, logic has no role in some student's decision. Students of all ages seem to think they should cram a year's worth of rambunctious behavior into the final month of school. Some of them will needlessly contribute to the nation's dropout rate as a result.

The point being, some students put the cart before the horse. They think they are so close to finishing the school year that they are bulletproof.

"I only have a few weeks left. My grades are good enough and I can pass with or without going to class. I'll wing it on my final and just see what happens," said a stupid kid who is no longer a contender to graduate on time.

One of the most perilous dangers of the final month is simple apathy. Students are tired of going to class, so they don't. They don't realize their grades are slipping through their fingers because their professors never see them to offer a warning. If you stop going to class, it's difficult to believe a professor will go out of his or her way to find you, contact you and hold your hand through the rest of the semester because you wanted to sleep in. With summer approaching, its time to hunker down and finish strong. You can sleep in for three months when it's all over.

Graduation rates by state

Another danger of the coming summer is the temptation to party.

I'm not going to waste anyone's time and tell you not to party. I mean, come on. You'll party out of spite that way. I'm just saying if you were ever to tone it down, dial it back or otherwise try to stay somewhat in control, now is the time to do it.

I'll explain the scenario. One month left in school. You go to your friends conveniently timed party. You do your standard party routine and wake up in a hospital with a less than flattering injury of some kind. You miss class where your diligent classmates get extra credit for going. You miss the points and continue your life of sleeping in and thus fail the class. Your mom cries a lot. Like...a bunch. 10 years later you're promoted to Tilt-a-Whirl operator, which is the peak of your life's ambitions.

Maybe that's a little presumptuous, maybe not. Either way, wouldn't it just be better to stay on the safe side and tone it down in the party scenes for a while? Also, just a thought, if your friends throw a one month left in school party, you need friends that are not so over eager. Tap the brakes guy who throws parties. We are trying to study.

Anything that can hinder or interfere with your grades in the final months can, and should be avoided. Getting arrested is going to be extra hard to swallow if you know you also have to retake an entire semester's worth of classes again because you missed some finals.

Wait a month before starting your bare-knuckle boxing league.

Hold off on streaking for a few weeks.

Chill out at parties. It's not a race to blackout town.

Celebratory fireworks? Nope.

Reenact the scenes of a Fast and Furious movie? Probably not the best idea.

Play Russian Roulette? It seems like I shouldn't have to tell you there is really never a time for this. But especially steer clear of it in the final month of school.

Wait to get a dog. You don't need the extra stress in what is already on of the most stressful times of the year.

Don't get married. \*See "Wait to get a dog"\*

DON'T QUIT! If you quit a semester in, fine. Even after a few years is fine. But if you quit school with a month left you deserve/are destined to, become a cat lady. Enjoy telling your trick or treaters about your cats, you quitter.

Don't skip class. I mean really.

Go on an extreme skiing trip.

Or any "extreme" anything for that matter. You will have all the time in the world to break one or all of your limbs. But if you spend your final month in a hospital, you may find graduating a bit more difficult.

The point is to be smart, be safe, and finish strong. Only a month left, you can do it Champ.

## Easy recipes for college students

By **ERRIKKA BRANSCUM**  
*News Editor*

Class. Work. Home-work. Gym. Friends. Netflix. Wait...Dinner??

Busy college students often find themselves struggling to prepare meals due to the lack of time, money and well-skill.

Katie Clark, author of Clarks Condensed blog, is a self-proclaimed recipe enthusiast. She and her husband were married while still in college. Therefore, they have plenty of advice for eating on a budget and skipping the ramen.

Clark has a page dedicated to easy recipes on her site. Here are a few listed below.

**Breakfast:**  
[Sausage crescent rolls](#)  
These breakfast rolls contain just 3 simple ingredients.

Sausage  
Cheese of your choice  
Crescent rolls  
Brown the sausage, mix it with cheese, and sandwich it between two layers of crescent roll dough.  
Bake it.  
Cut it into squares.  
Enjoy pre-made breakfast all week.

**Lunch:**  
[Wedge salad](#)  
Okay, so wedge salad is pretty self explanatory, but if you need help your first go-round, I got you.

You will start with a head of lettuce.  
Now cut that into four equal parts.  
\*\*Lunch for FOUR days, people.

¼ of the head of lettuce goes on the plate.  
You can add any and all veggies.  
Top it with your favorite dressing.

**Dinner:**  
[Microwave lasagna](#)  
This is lasagna in your microwave, and you can eat it for a week.

Really, what's better than cooking once a week?!

The SIX ingredients for this recipe are as follows:

1 15 ounce container ricotta cheese  
4 cups baby spinach, chopped (about 4 ounces), buy the bagged spinach  
2 cups Shredded mozzarella cheese (8 ounces), divided  
1/4 cup plus 2 Tablespoons Parmesan cheese  
1 24 ounce jar marinara sauce  
6 no-boil lasagna noodles

Combine everything into a microwave safe Pyrex pan, and get to cooking!

For the complete step-by-step guide visit the link above.

**Dessert:**  
[Chocolate chip banana muffins](#)  
Everyone's favorite meal...Or maybe that's just me. Either way this is a simple recipe for chocolate chip banana muffins. It takes a total of 25 minutes to make 12 of these delicious treats, so you will have plenty to share!

Check out the link for the complete recipe.

For more easy recipes for college students, visit Katie Clark's blog.

## The Dying, the Aging, and the Ferocious Upstarts

An elephant lays in a hospital bed. He is wearing an oxygen mask, and morphine is being dripped into his gargantuan veins. The morphine does nothing except make him comfortable. The giant has been unresponsive for years. With few exceptions, his family and friends have stopped visiting. His brain functions are gone. The machines he wears keep his heart and lungs working. An ugly old nurse shuffles in, checks all of the machines, records the readings and shuffles back out. The elephant doesn't respond to any stimuli.

The Republican Party is dying. Except for a few staunch holdouts, there is little to keep it functioning. There are constant splits and fights. Issues like LGBT rights, marijuana legalization, and abortion split the party. As a whole, it is travelling in no specific direction. The party is unsure about its future; should it attempt to appeal to a young and increasingly political generation, or remain loyal to the old guard Baby Boomers?

This is why Republicans look so weak and old fashioned. They don't know what they want. They don't know who their "crowd" is, and they can't predict the future. But here's the fact: just as it always has, the world will continue to move in a more liberal direction. The Republican Party may choose to follow that path. They may also choose to take an ill-advised Pickett's Charge into the future, staunchly refusing to change paths or tactics. It will be the end of them. Either outcome is okay.

A donkey sits in a chair by the elephant's bed. He gazes at the ashy face and the tired chest heaving rhythmically. In a contemplative mood, he thinks long and hard about the old times: times when this giant used to be a formidable opponent. "Those were the days," he sighs to himself. The donkey has not gone untouched by time. There are gray hairs under his chin and his hooves are worn smooth from walking on his concrete platform. Being a forward-thinker, he wonders how much breath is left in his own lungs, and he wonders how much more turf his hooves can stomp. He glances again at the dying animal next to him, smiles sadly, and leaves the room.

### MONTGOMERY LONG



The Republican Party may be dying, but The Democratic Party isn't far behind. It is beginning to suffer some of the same symptoms, and its age is catching up. There are newcomers on the horizon, and its own members are being seduced away from its ranks. If Democrats see any distance between the leadership and the people, they will begin looking for other options. Other options are out there. These new parties are more extreme than either current option. Extremism sells itself.

As long as the leaders of the party are able to maintain their connection with the American People, however, their continued prominence can be safely guaranteed. They have done remarkably well in this regard, and the perception their party as the "poor man's party" has certainly not hurt their reputation. It is these things only, however, which keep it afloat. The party's leadership has begun to bow to the wishes of Big Business, and continuing in this direction will surely lead to political ruin.

As the donkey leaves the hospital, he takes a few deep gulps of fresh air. The air does wonders for his morale, and his contemplative mood is shaken off. His resolve is once again set, and he is able to put any thoughts about his own mortality behind him. There's a marked change in his demeanor. He fixes a familiar smile to his face, looking again like the vital young jackass who had first charmed the American people. As he walks away, he passes a group of dissatisfied youths: Marxists, anarchists and punks.

A hedgehog, standing at the edge of the group, spits as the donkey passes. A sneer crosses his face. "Fascist," he mutters furiously. He is full of fiery, if quiet, passion. A former disciple of the elephant, he now stands firmly with the rejects who his mentor considered "too radical." He stomps his cigarette out, and leers after the donkey. This young upstart knows exactly where he is headed, what must be done, and the odds that face him in the coming conflicts. He is undeterred.

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# NEWS

## Oklahoma continues with no rain

By **TREY WOODARD**  
*Staff Reporter*

All Oklahoma has known for the past four years is how to conserve water. The dryness that Mother Nature has been unveiling has been unrelenting, and it doesn't appear to be letting up any time soon.

The dry summers and even winters have become the norm in Oklahoma. Water usage is always being monitored, and burn bans go into effect every now and again. We have recently received a

small amount of rain but not enough to make a very large impact. The drought has been getting worse and, if rainfall is not received soon, it will continue.

We are currently in the worst drought since the Dust Bowl.

Oklahoma has had a history of continuous rainfall followed by sweltering dryness. The weather in Oklahoma has always been abnormal. We have been known to have had a temperature drop of 69 degree Fahrenheit in 24 hours in 1911. We have had days where the temperature was warmer in the morning

than in the afternoon, opposite to that of other states.

Droughts have been common across the United States in general, stretching across nearly 38% of the lower 48 states. We are currently in a burn ban for the next 30 days. Meaning, no fires can be started due to the dryness of the state.

This drought has been been affecting the U.S. for the past 4 years, and we have survived through it. If we can make it through the past 4 years, we can make it through another.

## SGA hosts annual banquet

By **CAROLINE LEAHY**  
*Staff Reporter*

The Student Government Association held its annual SGA Senator Banquet on March 27 to thank its senators and faculty for their dedication to SGA throughout the year. This year's banquet took place in the Pioneer Cellular Event Center and hosted close to 20 SGA senators and faculty.

During the banquet, SGA Senators of the Year, business of the year, and SWOSU student organization of the year were announced. Senators of the year for 2013-2014 are Makenzy Hamon (Special Projects), Alex White (Campus Improvements), Bethany Bradley (Internal Affairs), and Austin Loomis (Legislative Committee). Sides Screen Printing took home business of the year and SWOSU CAB received

SWOSU student organization of the year.

SGA Cabinet members for the 2013-2014 year include; Blaine Boyd (President), Taylor Kincanon (Vice President), Alfa Abame and Austin Cantrell (Campus Improvements Officers), Tanner Boyd (Legislative Committee Officer and President Pro-Tempore), Taylor Boyd and Brady Boyd (Special Projects Committee Officers), Kelsey Watkins and Rachel Bradley (Internal Affairs Committee Officers), Megan St. Hilaire and Taylor Inman (Executive Assistants), Jerrad Richards (Treasurer), Caroline Leahy (Public Relations Officer), Mat Cooper (Chief of Staff), Davison Nguyen (Supreme Court Chief Justice), and Les Crall and Cindy Foust (sponsors).

Students who are interested in running for executive office for next year can apply. Elections for the of-

fices of president, vice president and treasurer will be held on Monday and Tuesday, April 21 and 22, online on Canvas.

Candidates must file to run by 5 p.m. on Friday, April 11, in Room 208 of the Administration Building.

Candidates for president, vice president and treasurer must be full-time students at SWOSU, must maintain at least a 2.5 grade point average, and must be classified as at least a sophomore at the time of taking office.

Candidates may campaign for office beginning at 6 p.m. on Friday, April 11. The Dean of Students office must approve all campaign materials. Candidates will meet with SGA Election Chair Tanner Boyd prior to start of campaigning.

For more information, contact Boyd at boydtb@student.swosu.edu.

## International Student Association plans banquet

The Southwestern International Student Association (SISA) is planning its spring banquet on Saturday, April 19, and the public is invited and encouraged to attend the festive event.

The 6:30 p.m. banquet will be held in the SWOSU Memorial Student Center Ballroom on the Weatherford campus. Tickets for the event are \$10 for students and staff and \$15 for others.

The SISA banquet includes a dinner with dishes served from around the world, and entertainment for the evening features music and performances by SISA members.

Ten percent of all proceeds benefit the Weatherford Food Pantry.

For more information or tickets, contact Dr. David Hertzelt at 580.774.3152 or david.hertzelt@swosu.edu.

## Wellness Expo is this Wednesday

Students, staff and local residents are invited to the SWOSU Wellness Expo this Wednesday, April 9, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Memorial Student Center lobby on the Weatherford campus.

The annual free event is hosted by SWOSU's Health and Counseling Services and functions to educate individuals on the importance of overall wellness and ways of maintaining a healthy lifestyle.

Several departments, organizations and local Weatherford businesses will set up booths at the expo, including:

the Exercise Science Department, First Choice Pregnancy Care Center, health and counseling services, music therapy students, personal fitness trainers, the College of Pharmacy, vocational rehabilitations services, Wellness Center staff and many more.

For more information or if an organization would like to be involved, contact Health and Counseling Services at 580.774.3776.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### Wednesday, April 09, 2014

9:30 AM - 10:30 AM	SCC Council Meeting
10:00 AM - 2:00 PM	SWOSU Wellness Expo
11:30 AM - 3:00 PM	Staff Appreciation Luncheon
5:30 PM - 6:30 PM	Community Meeting
6:00 PM - 10:00 PM	Social Science Banquet
7:30 PM - 9:00 PM	Wesley Worship

### Thursday, April 10, 2014

All Day	Film SWOSU TV Commercial
10:00 AM - 11:00 AM	Parker Hall Meeting
11:30 AM - 1:00 PM	Let's Talk About SWOSU
12:30 PM - 2:00 PM	Sorosis Luncheon
2:00 PM	Regional University System of Oklahoma Meeting
3:30 PM - 5:30 PM	Psychology Awards & Reception
4:00 PM - 5:00 PM	International Conversation Hour
5:30 PM - 7:30 PM	Pharmacy Leadership Seminar
5:30 PM - 8:30 PM	Physics Tutoring
6:00 PM - 7:00 PM	SGA Meeting
7:00 PM - 8:30 PM	Brass & Woodwind Ensemble Concert
7:00 PM - 10:00 PM	SWOSU College Rodeo

### Friday, April 11, 2014

Regional University System of Oklahoma Meeting	
All Day	66WESTfest
9:00 AM - 11:00 AM	New Student Orientation
2:00 PM - 6:00 PM	Softball vs. East Central University
3:00 PM - 5:00 PM	Baseball @ ECU
4:00 PM - 11:30 PM	Residence Life @ Opening Night of the Redhawks
5:30 PM - 8:00 PM	Biology Banquet
7:00 PM - 10:00 PM	SWOSU College Rodeo

### Saturday, April 12, 2014

Start Day	WOBT (Multi-Day Event)
7:00 AM - 3:00 PM	ACT National Test
8:00 AM - 10:00 AM	"Walk a Mile in My Shoes" - OKC Zoo
8:30 AM - 12:00 PM	Upward Bound Saturday Academy
9:00 AM - 5:00 PM	College of Pharmacy Advisory Council Meeting
9:00 AM - 10:00 PM	Residence Life at the OKC Zoo & Frontier City
11:00 AM - 9:00 PM	66WESTfest
12:00 PM - 4:00 PM	Softball vs. East Central University
1:00 PM - 5:00 PM	Baseball @ ECU
7:00 PM - 10:00 PM	SWOSU College Rodeo

### Sunday, April 13, 2014

National Library Week	
All Day	WOBT (Multi-Day Event)
5:00 PM - 6:00 PM	Phi Delta Theta Exec Meeting
6:30 PM - 7:30 PM	Council of Presidents
7:00 PM - 8:00 PM	BSA - Officers Meeting
7:30 PM - 10:00 PM	Phi Delta Theta Chapter Meeting
8:00 PM - 10:00 PM	Eta Iota Sigma Chapter Meeting

### Monday, April 14, 2014

GAC Golf Championship	
National Library Week	
End Day	WOBT (Multi-Day Event)
11:30 AM - 1:00 PM	FREE Lunch at the Wesley
12:00 PM - 1:00 PM	(Rescheduled) AAUW Spring Luncheon
5:00 PM - 7:00 PM	Regent Ogden speak to SGA
6:00 PM - 8:00 PM	Psychology Tutoring

### Tuesday, April 15, 2014

GAC Golf Championship	
National Library Week	
7:00 AM - 8:00 PM	2014 Research & Scholarly Activity Fair
1:00 PM	Baseball @ Cameron University
5:30 PM - 6:30 PM	Grace House Lutheran Campus Ministry
5:30 PM - 8:30 PM	Physics Tutoring
6:00 PM - 8:00 PM	Kappa Kappa IOTA Meeting
6:00 PM - 8:00 PM	Psychology Tutoring
6:30 PM - 7:30 PM	HOPE Weekly Meeting

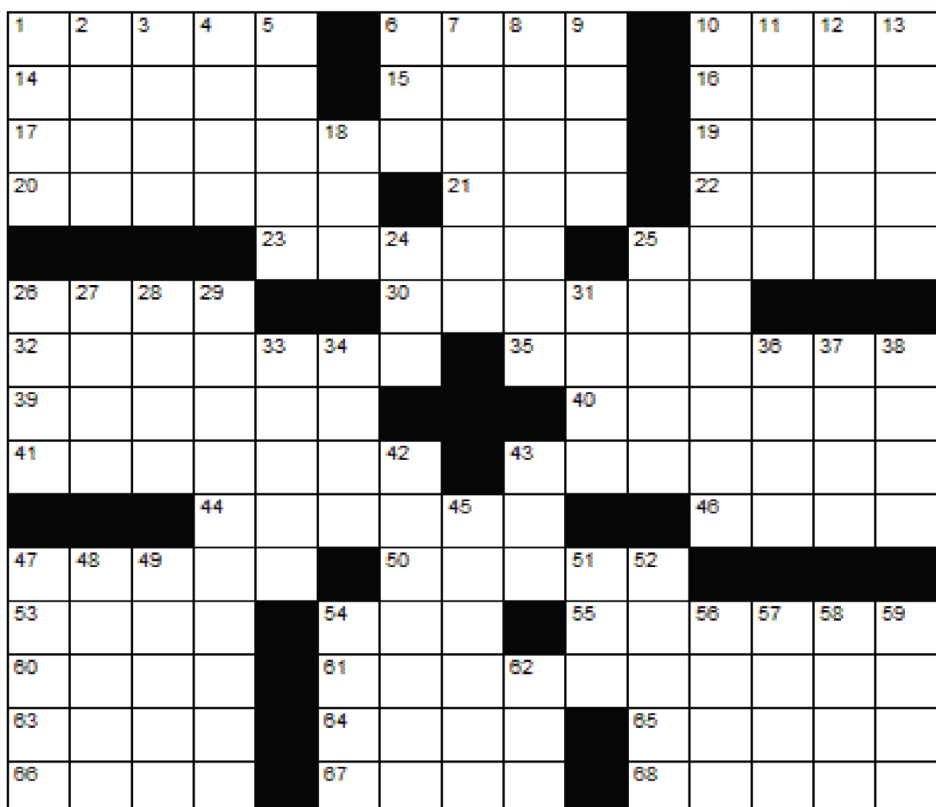
### Wednesday, April 16, 2014

National Library Week	
5:30 PM - 6:30 PM	Community Meeting
5:30 PM - 7:30 PM	Spanish Graduate Ceremony
7:30 PM - 9:00 PM	Wesley Worship

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### ACROSS

- Magicians
- Dry
- Mobile phone
- Watchful
- At the proper time
- Margarine
- Noteworthy
- Exploded star
- Renter
- Disencumber
- Hurried
- Pertaining to burning
- Clairvoyants
- Anagram of "Mail"
- Sour
- Ex-spousal support
- Terrestrial
- Treeless plain
- Scanty
- Sightseeing industry
- Cite
- Inveigle
- Feudal worker
- Platform
- Gleam
- Alert
- An Old Testament king
- Have as a guest
- Dogfish
- Instigator
- Encounter
- Ancient Peruvian
- Units of distance
- Small island
- Matured
- Concerning (archaic)



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- American Dental Association
- Direction
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- Sanctify
- Run away to wed
- Pry
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- Beam
- Femme fatale
- Spar
- Countertenor
- Place
- Make pregnant
- A Greek territorial unit
- Express a thought
- Where a bird lives
- Auspices
- A noble gas
- Sea eagle
- Lost
- Japanese apricot
- Opportunity
- Mystic
- Domesticates
- Disney mermaid
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# FEATURES

## Spring and summer promise blockbusters

By KIEFER FULSOM  
Staff Reporter

For many movie lovers every summer is looked to with anticipation. For Hollywood, summer is a time for many movies to be released with so many sometimes its hard to see them, resulting in having to wait until the home release later that fall. For Summer 2014 this is no exception, many moviegoers will have a chance to spectacular and amazing films.

The summer movie season kicks off with **The Amazing Spider-Man 2** (May 2) sequel to the 2012 blockbuster *Amazing Spider-man*, the sequel pits off Peter Parker (Andrew Garfield) as he faces off against the Villainous Electro (Jamie Foxx) all while also uncovering dark secrets from Oscorp industries ran by the mysterious (And dangerous) Norman Osborn.

May 16th will see the return of one of cinemas mightiest monsters, **Godzilla**. A reboot to the highly successful Toho series, the film features the King of Monsters in his return to American screens not seen since the Japanese flick *Godzilla* 2000 (1999) and Roland emmerichs first american *Godzilla* in 1998.

In what has been described by fans as The Terminator meets the X-Men, **X-Men: Days of Future Past** hits theatres May 23. The movie features the cast of both the original X-Men trilogy and X-Men First Class. In it Wolverine travels back in time from an apocalyptic future where mutants are hunted down and killed by large robotic sentinals. The Cast features Patrick Stewart, Hugh Jackman, Sir Ian McKellan and Oscar winner Jennifer Lawrence.

For those of you who enjoy Family Guy, American Dad and the Comedy Ted, Seth McFarlane returns (and stars in) his second directorial feature in **A Million Ways to Die in the West**. Angelina Jolie will star in the Disney film, **Maleficent**, a retelling of the classic fairy tale Sleeping Beauty but from the



point of view of the self proclaimed "mistress of all evil". Both films hit theatres in May 30th.

The month of June will see some awaited sequels to some beloved and acclaimed films. Jonah Hill and Channing Tatum return in **22 Jump Street** (June 13th), sequel to 2012's highly successful 21 Jump Street. Also being released is **How to Train Your Dragon 2**, the long awaited follow-up to the first film. Director Michael bay closes out the month of June with **Transformers: Age of Extinction**, a film that has been described as both a reboot and a follow-up to Bays highly successful movie series Transformers. The Film features Mark Wahlberg who joins Optimus Prime as they must once again save the earth from an alien threat.

**Dawn of the Planet of the Apes** hits theatres July 11th, the sequel to 2011's critically acclaimed Rise of the planet of the apes and eight in the Planet of the Apes franchise.

The Wachowski siblings (The Matrix Trilogy) return to their sci-fi roots in **Jupiter Ascending** (July 18th) starring Mila Kunis and Channing Tatum in an action packed, science fiction epic.

July 18th will also see

the release of **The Purge: Anarchy**, the follow up to the 2013 thriller in which for one night in America all crime is 100% legal.

Kicking off the month of August and final month of the summer blockbusters is **Guardians of the Galaxy**, (August 1st) an adaptation of Marvels comic book series of the same name and 10th in the Marvel Cinematic Universe.

One of the most beloved cartoons and comic book series gets a reboot August 8th in **Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles**, produced by Michael Bay. The reboot features the turtles in a CGI update with Megan Fox as April O'Neal.

**The Giver** (august 15th) will be released, an adaptation of the 1994 classic book, starring Meryl Streep, Jeff Bridges, and True Bloods' Alexander Skarsgård.

And closing out the Summer 2013 list is two dark and gritty action packed sequels. **The Expendables 3** (August 15th) stars Sylvester Stallone and many other action stars in the third installment of the Expendables Trilogy. **Sin City: A Dame to Kill For** (August 22nd) is the highly anticipated sequel to the 2005 dark and gritty Comic book adaptation of Frank Millers Sin City series.



## Noah follows Bible in some areas but not all

By CAMI LOVELESS  
Staff Reporter

Director Darren Aronofsky's film "Noah," featuring Russell Crowe, Emma Watson, and Anthony Hopkins, has found itself in controversial waters. Many religious groups, and even some countries, have found offense to the recent film production. Representatives of Muslim-dominated countries have promised they will not distribute the film. The film's content is of very sensitive material since it is dealing with the Bible story of Noah, from the book of Genesis.

*"The story of Noah's construction of a massive ark to save Earth's animals from God's flood-borne wrath is sacred text in the Koran and the Bible, and is one of the most popular stories with children."* -USA Today

Aronofsky began his passion for the story of Noah when he was 13 years old- he won an award for a poem about the tale.

"It seems strange to me that one of the greatest stories ever told had never been made into a feature film," says Aronofsky, 45, told USA Today. "In some ways I have been working on this for 32 years. When I first pitched the film, I didn't think there would be much controversy."

"Noah" is successful overseas in some places, where it is available in 3D. It has been listed as one of the best opening for a non-sequel in Russia.

The movie does stand tall with its \$44 million payout at the box office, sailing past the recently released "Divergent".

After being given this assignment, I decided I needed to go see the PG-13 film myself, all 2 hours and 18 minutes of it. And I was glad I read articles about the differences and what to expect. It also prompted me to go read Genesis when I got home to see what Hollywood matched up with the Word, and what actually is written in the Bible.

Ways the movie does have similarities with what is in the Bible:

- The story takes place 10 generations from Adam. (The six days of creation are seen in flashbacks, along with Adam and Eve, the serpent, the forbidden fruit, Cain murdering Abel and the city founded by Cain. Enoch, who "walked with God," is mentioned, and Methuselah appears in the story.)
- Human wickedness and violence are widespread, even ubiquitous.
- Noah is "righteous in his generation."
- Noah receives revelations regarding God's intention to wipe out life on earth and the ark Noah is to build to preserve life.

- The animals come to the ark of their own accord, presumably summoned by God. (Noah's efforts are attended by other miracles as well.)

- The flood wipes out all life on earth outside the ark. Only Noah and his family — eight in all — survive.

- The rainbow effect, like the flood itself, is persuasively presented as a heavenly sign rather than a natural phenomenon (though its interpretation is given by Noah, not God).

- The film also depicts Ham witnessing his father's postdiluvian drunken nakedness, and Shem and Japeth covering their father. (Nothing more than this happens. Some Bible commentators believe the story suggests something far more disturbing, but nothing like these readings happens in the film.)

Ways that the movie did not follow the Bible:

- The biblical order of events is not always followed. For example, the birds are sent out before, not after, the ark comes to rest on the mountain. (Also, one of Noah's sons, not Noah himself, sends them out.)

- The film doesn't depict the sacrifices Noah offers after the flood, though it also doesn't say Noah didn't offer sacrifices. (If you watch the animals closely, you may spot more than two of some species, foreshadowing the sacrifice.)

- Since the film depicts God communicating with Noah through signs and visions, God's will and actions are a matter of interpretation. (For example, it's impossible to prove that the animals were miraculously summoned by God — though, for that matter, Genesis doesn't say they were either.)

I noticed as well that in the Bible it puts eight people on the ark. It was Noah, his wife, his sons, and their wives. In the movie, the big controversy is Shem being mad at Noah for letting the girl he liked get away. Also, Tubal-Cain makes it onto the Ark and persuades one of Noah's sons that man is to rule man, not God.

"For 10 generations since Adam, sin has walked within us. Brother against brother, nation against nation, man against creation. We murdered each other. We broke the world." -Noah's description of the justice of God's judgement

In the book of Genesis, Noah and his family do not hunt or eat animals. Prior to the flood, mankind (and animals) had permission from God to eat plants and fruit, but permission to eat animals was given to human beings only *after* the flood. The film depicts the wicked sons of Cain, who break God's law in so many other ways, hunting and eating animals when God has not permitted this.

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# SPORTS

## Margaret Musser named golfer of the month

RUSSELLVILLE, Ark. – Margaret Musser placed in the top 11 in all three of the Southwestern Oklahoma State University women's golf events in March, including a co-championship at the Lions Classic last week. For her efforts, Musser was honored as the Great American Conference Women's Golfer of the Month on Thursday.



Margaret Musser

Musser started off the month with a share of seventh place at the Lady Pirate Invitational hosted by Armstrong Atlantic on March 3-4. She was +13 for the tournament, played in Savannah, Ga., and helped the Lady Bulldogs tie for 8th place as a team at the event, which featured some of the top teams nationally.

The lowest placing for Musser was a tie for 11th at the UCO Kickingbird Classic in Edmond on March 10-11. However, her score of +11 in the two-round tournament was her best score from par and helped SWOSU bring home sixth place out of 16 teams.

In the final tournament of the month, Musser tied for first place at the Lions Classic in Fort Smith, Ark., on March 24-25. She shot a two-round score of 155 (+15) to tie with Kendall Anderson of Newman for the tournament championship. Additionally, Musser helped the Lady Bulldogs finish second out of ten teams at the event.

Musser – a native of Amarillo, Texas – becomes the first Lady Bulldog to earn the GAC's monthly award this season. She will lead her team back into action at the Henderson State Spring Invitational next Monday and Tuesday in Mountain Home, Ark.



Megan White and the SWOSU rodeo team hopes to win their sixth rodeo of the year this weekend.

## Women win fifth rodeo at Durant

DURANT, Okla. – For the fifth time in seven rodeos, the SWOSU women's team finished ahead of the field as they won the Southeastern Oklahoma State Rodeo in Durant over the weekend. The Bulldog men's team finished second at the rodeo, earning their fourth top-two finish of the year.

The SWOSU women brought home first place with 310 points at the rodeo, keeping them clear of second-place Panhandle State by 85 points. Two Bulldog cowgirls won their event as Kelsie Chace finished first in the short-round of breakaway in 2.6 seconds and also claimed the average crown while Kaylee Moyer had runs of 8.4 and 8.6 seconds in goat tying to finish first in the average.

Angela Bartley finished first in the long round of goat tying in 8.1 seconds and fourth in the short go to take second in the average while Megan White teamed with Layne Lagasse of Northwestern Oklahoma State to finish third in the average in team roping. SWOSU also had three top-five finishers in barrel racing as Dusta Kimzey, Amy Outhier and Emily Miller claimed third, fourth and

fifth places, respectively.

Regional-leading Panhandle State was the only team to top the Bulldogs in the men's standings as SWOSU finished 60 points behind the Aggies. Leading the way for SWOSU was the top bull rider in the nation, Sage Kimzey, who scored rides of 78 and 79 points to win the short round and finish first in the average.

Jake Stemo won the long round in bareback with a ride of 68 points and split second and third in the short round with a 71-point ride that helped him finish first in the average. Dalton Davis won the short round in saddle bronc with a 76-point ride that propelled him to a second-place finish while Dylan Henson scored a 77-point ride to win the long round before a no score in the short go. Kyle Hay had times of 10.2 and 12.2 seconds to earn fourth in the average of tie down roping.

SWOSU is back in action this weekend as they host the 42nd Annual SWOSU Rodeo, which starts on Thursday night at the B.O.P Ram Rodeo Grounds at Don Mitchell Arena.

## Bulldogs use big fourth inning to win against Harding

WEATHERFORD, Okla. – Trailing 2-0 with only one hit in the first three innings, the SWOSU baseball team scored five runs on five hits in the bottom of the fourth inning to take control of the series-opening game against Harding on Friday afternoon. The Bulldogs scored single runs in the sixth, seventh and eighth innings to make the final margin 8-2.

JR Head and Kale Thaxton had back-to-back singles to open the big inning and moved up to second and third base on an error by Harding. Chris Faulkner grounded

out but was able to bring Head into score before Mitchell Brittain single to center and scored Thaxon. Tyler Rapp then doubled and Jaden Chappell walked to load the bases for Dalton Daniels, who singled down the left field line and cleared the bases.

The Bulldogs took the 5-2 lead after the inning, but they were not done.

SWOSU used a Harding error to score in the sixth before Thaxton tripled to lead off the seventh inning before scoring on a balk. Brandon Ruiz added an RBI double in

the eighth inning that scored Dietrick Turney from first base and made it 8-2.

That was plenty of run support for Jonathan Johnson, who tossed his fifth complete game of the season to improve to 4-3 on the year. Johnson allowed just four hits – all in the first three innings – and limited the Bisons to one earned run while striking out five batters in nine innings of work.

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# RES LIFE

By: Laurel Thomas

On April 17th at 7:00pm the biggest dance party of the year will be located in Oklahoma Hall, Twerk it to Werk it! There are many ways to work out and stay healthy without following the same day to day routine. So come out and learn the importance of staying healthy and learn new Zumba dances!

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## resident spotlight

### Brady L. Boyd

By Janis Taliaferro

**Hometown:** Weatherford, OK  
**Classification:** Freshman  
**Residence Hall:** Neff Hall  
**Major:** Undecided



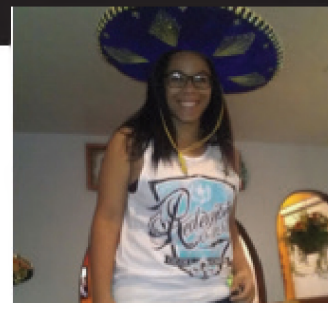
Brady's favorite color is blue and his favorite movies are The Shawshank Redemption, Sandlot, and Hot Rod. Some of the things on his bucket list are sky diving, climbing Mount Everest, figuring out what he wants to do with his life, visit every continent, and be in the Southwestern paper. He is looking forward to his birthday April 19th. He enjoys meeting new people and loves to hang out with his friends.

## meet a res life person

### Briana Duquette

By Allyson Lederer

**Hometown:** Altus, Oklahoma  
**Classification:** Sophomore  
**Major:** Athletic Training  
**Residence Hall:** Oklahoma Hall



Briana is a new RA at Oklahoma Hall. She says that she loves meeting new people on and off campus. She is very artistic and loves to paint whenever she has a free moment. She says that she loves being a part of SWOSU, both as a student and as an RA. Head over to OK Hall and meet Briana.

## Cash Cooper's Corner

By: Cash Cooper

Last week (from when I am writing this) was Spring Break, also known as nirvana to college students. To many, Spring Break may mean sunny days and warm beaches. To others it may mean cold weather and ski slopes. But to me, it simply meant tranquility. Rather than venture off to an exotic location, I spent my break in Oklahoma. I spent it working at my job, and I spent it relaxing at my home. I spent it surrounded by family and friends that I seldom visit. I spent it in the largest city in our state and also what seems like the smallest.

While a week spent in the sooner state may seem like a waste to some, I emphatically believe it was not. My family provided a glimpse of life outside of school, a much needed reminder that graduation is drawing near. My work provided me an opportunity to grow in my profession and earn money to ease the burden of school costs. My friends provided the reminder to not take myself so seriously.

So here's the point of this article. You don't have to visit a beach or a mountain to escape reality and relax. Just go home. Go about your daily tasks and surround yourself with people who simplify life. School is quickly coming to an end, and for some, it may be an uphill climb. But if you try to remember that college is just a microcosm of life, it doesn't seem so bad. Change your perspective, change your life.

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